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REPORT

OF THE

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE

TOWN OF HANOVER,

ALSO OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 11,

1856.

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Town of Hanover in account with their Selectmen, from March 13, 1855 to March 11, 1856,

Dr.			Cr.	
No. 1.	To paid State Tax - -	$452 20	By State Treasurer—Literary Fund,	$102 83
2.	County Tax - -	595 75	" " Railroad Tax	136 84
3.	School Tax - -	1130 50	Interest on Notes and rent on School land	119 64
4.	School Fund - -	252 00	Amount of Tax bill, 1855	2701 54
5.	Teachers' Institute -	33 91	Eli Hurlbutt's Note	5 90
6 to 40.	For repairs of higways & bridges A.	857 52	Elijah Tenney's two Notes	25 00
	For miscellaneous expenses B.	272 37	O. S. Ingalls' "	41 46
	For former debts - C.	235 98	P. W. Durkee's "	160 08
	Abatement of Taxes - D.	42 49	Due from Adjutant General	6 20
To Eli Hurlbutt's Note, due -		5 90	Due Bank of Lebanon	600 00
To Elijah Tenney's two Notes -		9 20	Of District No. 1, on Highway bill	50 00
To O. S. Ingalls' " " -		29 46	From Shows	39 00
To P. W. Durkee's Note -		2 33		3988 49
To due from Adjutant General -		6 20		3953 41
To David Hurlbutt's Note, Tax Bill 1855		26 60		
		3953 41	Balance due the Town on Selectmen's account	35 08

Town of Hanover in account with the Overseers of the Poor from March 13, 1855 to March 11, 1856.

Dr.			Cr.			
To amount of property at the Town Farm Feb. 19, 1856		A.	$1973 96	By amount of property at the Town Farm Feb. 16, 1855	H.	$1819 88
To paid Store and Mechanics' Bills		B.	229 25	By Cash received for labor, produce and live stock sold	I.	767 08
Physicians' Bills		C.	141 62	from other Towns	J.	62 16
for support of County Paupers		D.	76 18	of County for the support of County Paupers		397 97
of Town Paupers		E.	268 32	Note of F. T. Slade		17 38
former debts		F.	136 97	Jeremiah Page		8 39
Miscellaneous Expenses		G.	456 05	Cash of David Camp for Bolles' Cow		17 00
Note of S. T. Slade			17 38			1269 98
of Jeremiah Page			8 39			
Due from William Avery			3 65			
			1337 81			
			1269 98			
Balance due on the Overseers' account			67 83			

AMOUNT OF SCHOOL MONEY,

In the Town of Hanover, paid by the Selectmen to the several P. S. Committees of the several School Districts, as receipted by them below respectively, viz.

District.	P. S. Committees.	School Tax.	School Fund.
No. 1.	Stephen Rand,	$413,82	$14,00
2.	William Everett,	55,98	14,00
3.	Eleazer Wright,	40,58	14,00
4.	Alvin I. Merrill,	79,75	14,00
5.	John Huntoon,	121,27	14,00
6.	Edwin Bartlett,	37,50	14,00
7.	Eli Hurlbutt, 2d,	68,95	14,00
8.	William Hatch,	25,43	14,00
9.	Amos Dudley,	29,86	14,00
10.	Don E. Dudley,	35,85	14,00
11.	J. B. Plummer,	16,24	14,00
12.	Wm. Withington.	29,94	14,00
13.	Orville Woodward,	57,60	14,00
14.	Moses C. Emerson,	18,91	14,00
15.	Silas Hadley	18,17	14,00
16.	Levi M. Goss,	18,90	14,00
17.	Charles Houston,	46,55	14,00
18.	David Walker,	15,20	14,00
		$1130,50	$252,00

Amount of School Money received from different sources, as follows:

Of State Treasurer—Literary Fund			$102,83
Railroad Tax for Schools			29,53
Of U. Dow, rent on School land,		4,97	
Of J. W. Dodge,	"	4,03	
Of Benjamin Smith,	"	9,25	
Of Cyrus Camp,	"	75	—19,00
Rec'd interest on Note of J. C. Worth and others		13,41	
E. Durkee,	"	5,35	
W. Covell	"	6,00	
J. Chandler	"	13,42	
Philo Tenney	"	19,83	
J. H. Runnels	"	6,25	
L. D. Owen	"	11,54	
Eleazar Wright	"	4,99	
F. D. Slade	"	3,26	
O. Pinneo	"	4,68	
Willis Kinsman	"	6,49	
James Spencer	"	5,42	—100,64
Whole amount School Fund,			$252,00

The donations of Jonathan Freeman, Esq., to the town for an accumulating school fund, is now in the hands of Elijah B. Hurlbutt and Asa Brown, secured to the Town by a joint Note from them and others, and amounted on the 3d day of Feb. 1856, to $112,36.

(A.) REPAIRS ON HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid E. W. Goodrich, H. S. Dist. No. 2, 8 days work, 2 stringers	8 90
J. S. Kent job on Slate Brook bridge	42 25
Ira Lews, " $22, I. Lord 393 ft timber 11,79	33 79
J. S. Kent, bill lumber for bridge	22 00
Roger Wood, job on Pingry B. bridge	9 75
" " 1. 66 ft plank and 7 1-2 days work	19 22
William Everett, 35 hours work	3 50
J. Terry plank and work	1 00
N. Leavitt, 4 hours work	38
David Camp, Dist. No. 3, 545 ft plank for Dist. No. 13	3 82
2841 ft plank for Dist. No. 3 19,89, 523 ft for No. 8, 3,66	23 55
2 logs 16 ft each, 1,60, 4 stringers 10 ft each, 1,00	2 60
2 stringers 22 feet each	1 60
for building 2 new bridges in No. 3,	57 50
" 1 " No. 8,	25 50
Jeremiah Chandler for 81 ft plank,	56
Cyrus Heath for building a bridge in No. 3,	28 00
Daniel B. Emerson for building bridge, turning brook and repairing road in No. 3.	100 00
J. M. Hayes, for building 3 bridges in No. 5,	90 00
W. S. Hayes, for repairing road in No. 5,	40 00
C. G. Chandler for building bridge in No. 5,	13 00
John Gould for plank and stringers,	13 25
Moses Morse, H. S. No. 5, bill for work and timher	42 93
Morgan & Dodge for 4610 ft plank, No. 5,	32 27
269 ft No. 10, 1,88, 258 ft No. 13, 1,80, 148 ft No. 18, 1,04	4 72
Edward Huntington, H.S. No. 7, 948 ft plank & repairing br'g.	6 69
Harrison Bugbee, H. S. No. 8, 400 ft plank,	2 80
mending plow,	2 00
John Kingsbury, timber ,75, 29½ days work 29,37	30 12
John Goss, 20 hours work,	2 00
Daniel B. Emerson, building bridge,	28 00
John Wright, H. S. No. 10, 2 days work,	2 00
J. B. Plummer, H. S. No. 11, 1185 ft plank,	9 48
Francis Withington, H. S. No. 12, 23½ days work,	23 50
397 ft plank,	3 08
J. T. Hurlbutt, H. S. No. 13, for 7 days work,	6 50
Ozias Bagley, for building bridge,	29 50
Orville Woodward, for timber,	2 00
H. G. Pressy, H. S. No. 15, 430 ft plank	2 58
work on the old Turnpike	15 07
Russell Goss, H. S. No. 16, 125 ft plank and 1 days' work,	2 00
A. B. Closson, H. S, No. 17, 1250 ft plank.	10 00
David Walker, H. S. No. 18, timber for bridge,	6 00
1998 ft plank 7,61, 11 days on bridge 11,00, 5½ with oxen 5,50,	24 11
Daniel Blaisdell, Tr. D. Coll., for land taken for highway No. 1,	30 00
Whole amount,	$857 52

B. MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid J. C. Worth, for services as Town Clerk and Sup. Sch. Com.	17 00
N. S. Huntington for services as Selectman and Treasurer,	
Mar. 17. Half day to certify to check list	50
26. To draw Jurors	50
April 1 to 13. 7 days taking list	7 00

15. 1 day equalizing real estate	1 00	
24. 4 days making taxes,	4 00	
29. 1 day making highway bills	1 00	
30. 1 day making money tax bills	1 00	
May 2. Appointing and taking bond of Collector,	1 00	
3. 2 days distributing highway bills	2 00	
June 17. To Dist. No. 11 on petition of N. Merrill	1 00	
29. 4 days copying, recording and returning invoice	4 00	
July 3. 1 day making return to State and County Treasurer	1 00	
1 day to Dist. No. 3 to examine bridge	1 00	
Half a day " to sell bridge	50	
8. 1 day to Dist. No. 1 on petition of L. D. Gove	1 00	
14. To Dist. No. 1 to lay out new road and make return to Town Clerk	1 50	
Aug. 14. 1 day to Plain to appoint agent to sell liquor	1 00	
Sept. 17. To Plain and Town Farm	1 00	
24. To Dist. No. 2 to examine bridge	1 00	
Oct. 3. To Dist. No. 13, 5 and 3 to see bridges	1 00	
5. 1 day to sell road and bridges No. 13 and 5	1 00	
8. 1 day to sell road and bridge No. 5 and 3	1 00	
19. To Dist. No. 1 on petition of E. W. Carter	1 00	
half a day to draw Jurors	50	
27. To bound Village precinct & make return to T. Clerk	1 00	
Dec. 18. To regulate Juror box	50	
26. 1 day to Plain on Town business	1 00	
Jan. 10. 2 days settling highway bills and interest on Notes	2 00	
12. 1 day to Plain to settle bills	1 00	
29. Half a day to draw Jurors	50	
Feb. 14. To Plain on Town business	1 00	
19. Regulating check list	1 00	
Writing and posting Warrants	1 00	
20. To Plain settling bills	1 00	
Settling with Selectmen and Collector	1 00	
22. 1 day to Plain	1 00	
2 days preparing Town Report for printing	2 00	49 50
Paid Asa Brown for services as Selectman.		
March, Half a day to certify check list	50	
26. Half a day to draw Jurors	50	
28. Half a day to Town Farm	50	
April 1 to 11. 7 days taking Invoice	8 00	
24. 2½ days making taxes	2 50	
Half a day appointing Superintending School Com.	50	
May 2. To distributing highway bills	1 00	
25. Half a day to hire a man for Town Farm	50	
June, 1½ days to East Hanover	1 50	
17. To Dist. No. 11 on petition of N. Merrill	1 00	
July 14. Half a day in Dist. No. 1, on petition of L. D. Gove	50	
16. Half a day to Town Farm	50	
Oct. 9. 1 day to sell bridges	1 00	
Dec. 18. Regulating Juror box	50	
29. Half a day to draw Jurors	50	
To pay for horse hire	6 00	24 50
Paid John Tenney for services as Selectman,		
March 17. To certify to check list	50	
26. Half day to draw Jurors	50	
April 1 to 13. 7 days taking invoice	7 00	

15. 1 day equalizing real estate	1 00	
24. 4 days making taxes	4 00	
29. 1 day making highway bills	1 00	
May 2. 1½ days distributing highway bills	1 00	
June 17 1 day to Dist. No. 11 on petition of N. Merrill	1 00	
July 14. 1 day to No. 1 on petition of L D. Gove	1 00	
Sept. 14. Half a day on Slate brook bridge	50	
24. " " "	50	
Sept. 25. 1 day to Plain on Town business	1 00	
Oct. 10. 1½ day letting job on road	1 50	
11. Half a day drawing Jurors	50	
13. Half a day on river road letting job	50	
19. " " "	50	
26. " " " accepting job	50	
Nov. 7. " on the Kent job	50	
17. " attending Village precint meeting	50	
Dec. 18. " regulating Juror box	50	
Jan. 1. " with the Selectmen	50	
29. " to draw Jurors	50	
Feb. 23. " at N. S. Huntington's	50	
24. 1 day to Canaan to settle bills	1 00	--27 00
Paid Joseph Tenney for use of Hall	15 00	
C. Byron Dow, services as Superintending School Com.	13 00	
28 enginemen	42 00	
E. Withington for enrolling militia	3 00	
H. Benton for painting 2 guide boards	2 75	
Don E. Dudley for enrolling militia	3 00	
B. D. Howe for stationery	3 16	
A. Prescott for insurance	3 67	
Asa Brown for two guide boards	50	
L. Waterman for guide post and setting the same	1 24	
Cheney & Co. Express bill	75	
J. S. Woodman, surveying road	1 00	
David Hurlbutt, Collector for 1855	45 00	
J. H. Kendrick	18 30	
Auditors	2 00	
Whole amount		272 37

C. FORMER DEBTS.

Paid David Camp his bill due on last year's account	146 72	
Error in last year's account	37 24	
" in Miscellaneous Expenses	2 00	
1 day regulating check list	1 00	
Horace Frary for use of room	50	
For postage	1 20	
1 day to Lyme to settle with N. Holt	1 00	
J. N. Putnam for superintending schools	10 00	
J. N. Holt for damage sustained on Turnpike	17 50	
David Kimball for printing Town Report	15 00	
B. D. Howe's bill	1 82	
J. J. Mason, appraising at Town Farm	1 00	
J. S. Davis " " "	1 00	-235 98

D. ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

On tax bill 1852	80	On tax bill 1854	17 75
On tax bill 1855	23 94		42 49

OVERSEERS' REPORT.

Inventory of property at the Town Farm, Feb. 16, 1855.

21 tons hay, 294 ; straw and corn fodder, 36	$330 00
1 yoke oxen, 135 ; 4 cows, 100 · 2 heifers 25,	260 00
1 beef cow 25 ; 119 sheep 272,12 ; 1 breeding sow & 2 shoats 25,	322 12
54 bushels wheat 113,50 ; 100 bushels oats 50,	163 00
60 bushels corn 67,50 ; 3 bushels beans 5,00 ; 2 bu. peas 3,50	76 00
Herds grass seed 3,00 ; 60 lbs dried apple 4,80	6 80
70 lbs. lard 8,75 ; 50 lbs. butter 12,50 · 100 lbs. cheese 12,50	33,75
34 lbs. dried beef 5,67 ; 12 candles 1,80	7 37
500 lbs· pork 62,50 ; 300 lbs. ham and shoulder 36,00	98 50
200 lbs. beef 14,00 ; cider and vinegar 3,00	17 00
145 bu. potatoes 72,50 ; 7 lbs. pulled wool 2,10	74 60
We estimate the farming tools and household furniture are worth more than last year	35 00
Household furniture and farming tools	394 14
	$1969 88
We estimate the expense of supporting the paupers and keeping stack to March 21st	125 00
	$1844 88
A cow sold that was appraised $25,00, the moned credited last year to be taken out	25 00
	$1819 88

JOHN S. DAVIS, JULIUS J. MASON, *Appraisers.*

A. *Inventory of property at Town Farm Feb.* 19, 1856.

25 tons hay $300 ; straw 30 ; 137 sheep 380 ; 5 cows 165		875 00
1 yoke oxen 162 ; 2 shoats 27 ; 53 bu. wheat 106 ; 90 bu. corn 100		395 00
130 bu. oats 58,50 ; 10 bu. provender 5,00 ; 16 bu. beans 20,68		84 18
4½ bu. buckwheat 3,37 ; herds grass 10 50 ; 28 lbs. sausages 3,98		17 85
137 lbs. fresh meat 10, ; 101 lbs. dried apples 6,06		16 06
68 lbs. tallow & candles 8,02 ; 34 lbs. dried beef 5,10		13 12
178 lbs. salt beef 12,46 ; 625 lbs. salt pork 78,13 ; 70 lbs· lard 9,80		100 39
406 lbs. ham & shoulders 50,75 ; 62 lbs. butter 15,50		66 25
140 lbs. cheese 14,40 ; 110 bu. potatoes 41,25 ; 17 bu. carrots 5,00		60 65
7 bbls. cider 8,75 ; 8 galls. molasses 10 galls. boiled cider 6,50		15 25
Soap 2,00 ; 100 lbs. flour 5,00 ; buckwheat flour 2,25		9 25
Indian meal 1,50 ; 6 lbs. tea 3,00 ; 1 bu. salt ,70 ; 5 galls. pickles 1,00		6 20
2½ bu. winter wheat 5,62 ; 4 bu. winter rye 5,00		10 62
We estimate the farming tools and household furniture as much as last year		429 14
		2098 96
We estimate the expense of supporting the paupers and keeping stock to March 21st		125 00
		$1973 96

MOSES MORSE, LEWIS SIMMONS, } *Appraisers.*

B. *STORE AND MECHANICS' BILLS.*

Paid L. D. Gove 9,35 ; J. F. Smalley 5,25	14 60	
Morgan & Dodge, delivered to Camp	6 23	
Dewey & Co.'s bill 111,74; G.Fifield 24,00; A.Rock 25,95	161 69	
S. W. Cobb 26,06 ; Dewey & Co. delivered to Camp 5,26	31 32	
J. A. Douglass	15 41	–229 25

C. *PHYSICIAN'S BILLS FOR COUNTY PAUPERS.*

Paid T. P. Hill & Co. for Mrs. Dana 11,59 ; for Mrs. Stark 6,40	17 99	
for Sarah Metcalf 1,76 ; for Mrs. Dean's child 2,37	4 13	
E. R. Peaslee, for Sarah Metcalf	75	
George Spencer for Mrs Keniston	2 00	--24 87

PHYSICIANS' BILLS FOR TOWN PAUPERS.

Paid T. P. Hill & Co. for Pingry 26,92; for Stevens & family 24,68	51 70	
for Mrs. Carpenter 10,11; for Hannah Parker 1,94	12 05	
S. G. Wood for Obadiah Hadley	18 75	
George Spencer for Mrs Bolles	17 00	
T. P. Hill & Co. for Mrs. Abbott 10,01; for Jane Kimball 5,76	15 77	
for Mary Flanders	1 58	--116 45

D. *FOR SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS.*

Paid Daniel Bridgman for Nancy Keniston	55 00	
T. J. Emmons for Carlyle 11,00; Dewey & Co. for do. 1,90	12 90	
S. W. Cobb for do. ,53; coat for Gilbert 4,75	5 28	
Asa Brown for help to transient pauper	3 00	--76 18

E. *FOR SUPPORT OF TOWN PAUPERS.*

Paid Lydia LeConte for Wm. LeConte	40 00	
Marshall Jenks for Mrs. Runnels	20 00	
J. C. Cross for Obadiah Hadley 28,12; W.T.Cross for do. 7,50	35 62	
S. W. Cobb for F. Stevens 1,64; C. Benton for do. 3,00	4 64	
C. Clifford for do. 2.38; Harvey Clifford for do. 2,25	4 63	
T. J. Emmons for do. 9,50; J. A. Douglass for do. 5,75	9 29	
Dewey & Co. for do. 3,54; J. G. Currier for rent for do. 20 00	23 54	
Asa Brown for butter for do.	1 00	
P. B. Kemp, Groton, for support of Lois Hastings	27 00	
J. H. Runnels for Pingry 28,00; Dewey & Co. for do. 2,31	30 31	
Mary Colburn for do. 18,00, Dewey & Co. for H. Smith ,79	18 79	
T. J. Emmons for do. 2,00; J.A.Douglass for Mrs.Abbott 1,10	3 10	
Dewey & Co. for do. ,99; S. W. Cobb for do. ,18	1 17	
T. J. Emmons for do. 2,00; Asa Brown for do. 2,98	4 98	
William Allen for rent for Mrs. Hinds	18 00	
T. J. Emmons for Mrs. Sweeney 2,50; S. W. Cobb for do. 2,69	5 19	
Dewey & Co. for do. 1,84; Asa Brown for do. 2,83	4 67	
H. K. Hutchins for do. 1,34; J. A. Douglass for do. ,27	1 61	
E. Smalley for do. ,22; L. D. Gove for do ,75;	97	
C. Clifford for do. 3,50; Willis Kinsman for do. ,15	3 65	
L. Hinds ,25; Asa Brown 3,95	4 20	-268 32

F. *FORMER DEBTS.*

Paid Marshall Jenks for support of Mrs. Runnels	50 00	
N. Wright " Irish Child	27 00	
Oscar Kendall for Lois Hastings of Groton	15 00	
Gorham Lane for rent	20 40	
Obadiah Hadley for Collins 5,00; Dr. L. C, Bean 1,00	6 00	
W. Kinsman ,63; J. L. Dewey 5,31; C. Clifford 3,75	9 69	
E. R. Peaslee, for Frank Stevens	3 38	
Isaac Ross, bill for taking affidavits	5 50	--136 97

G. *MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES AT TOWN FARM.*

Paid N. S. Huntington's account as Overseer of the poor.

March 17. To Town Farm	1 00
19. To Plain in relation to Stevens	1 00
28. Making out County Pauper claims	3 00
April 8. 2 days to Haverhill to get pauper claim	2 00
Making and writing agreement with agent	1 00
May 2. Half a day to Town Farm	50

June 8. Half a day to Town Farm 50
Oct. 31. To Grafton to examine records 1 00
Nov. 3. To Town Farm 1 00
21. To move Hall to Town Farm 1 00
26. To provide for Obadiah Hadley 1 00
Dec. 8. 1 day " 1 00
26. To Plain to provide for paupers 1 00
29. Half day to Town Farm 50
31. To Canaan to examine records 1 00
Jan. 1, 1846. To moving and providing for Hadley 1 00
8. To Town Farm and Plain 1 00
16. To District No. 11 to settle bills 1 00
31. To Canaan to examine records 1 00
Feb. 9. To Plain and Town Furm 1 00
16. 1 day settling with Town Farm agent 1 00
1 day with appraisers 1 00
1 day with Auditors 1 00—24 50

Paid Asa Brown for services as Overseer of Poor.

March 29. Half a day providing for paupers 50
April 2. do. do. ,50 April 21. do. do. ,50 1 00
30. 1 day do. 1 00 May 2. do. ,50 1 50
May 17. 1 day do. 1 00 Dec. 6. 1 day do. 1,00 2 00
Dec. 10. 1 day do. 1 00 13. 1 day do. 1,00 2 00
15. Half a day do. ,50 20. 1 day do. 1,00 1 50 —8 50

Paid John Tenney for services as Overseer of the Poor.

April 22. To Lyme to settle with Jenks ,50
30. To Plain on pauper business 1 00
May 5. To three days to Swanzey and Westmoreland 3 00
June 4. Half a day to Lyme 50
Sept. 24. To one day providing for Pingry 1 00
Nov. 3. Half a day to Town Farm 50
23 To 1 day on pauper business 1 00
Jan. 3, 1856. To one day providing for Hadley 1 00
16. 1 day providing for Hadley 1 00
23. To half a day at the Town Farm 50
24. To 1 day settling for Hadley 1 00
Feb. 19. To one day at Town Farm with appraisers 1 00
To one day with auditors 1 00—13 00

Paid N. S. Huntington's account.

April 8. Expenses to Haverhill 3 50
" Grafton 75
" Canaan 50 —4 75

Paid John Tenney's bill for expenses to Swanzey & Westmoreland 7 85
Town Clerk of Westmoreland 1 00
" Swanzey 50
for horse and carriage to Keene 1 50—10 85
Charles Lane for three months and 11 days' work 61 64
Nelson Ritchie for three months' work 54 00
Thomas Perkins for one shoat 9 45
J. L. Dewey for meat and tallow 1 66
H. Dayton for carding wool 1 00
J. Dudley for 1 cow 25,00; E. T. Miller for 1 shoat 6,50 31 50
C. Houston for 6 bu. rye 7,50; R. C. McFerson 10,00 17 50
John Gould 4,37; C. P. Blanchard, freight bill 2,62 6 99
Charles Benton for threshing 1,00 1 00
E. D. Sanborn for taking deposition 75
Lewis Simmons 1 day appraising 1,00; Moses Morse do. 1,00 2 00
E. C. McCarty 14 1-2 days work 7 83
Levi McFerson's acc't for cash paid Mrs. Dean Railroad fare 2 10
J. Pattee for use of hog 1 00; J. Terry for use of buck 2,00 3 00
C. B. Forbes for 5 bu. Carter potatoes 3 25

Cultivator wheel 1,00; C. Chandler 2 pigs 4,00	5 00	
C. Houston 2 pigs 3,00; S. Tracy 7 3-4 lbs paint 1,26	4 26	
C. Webb 1 day shearing sheep 1,50; W. Hall 1 day 1 00	2 50	
J. Eaton 2 days do. 2,75; P. W. Durkee, rolling wool 1,10	3 85	
Almena Taylor 2 weeks labor	3,00	
J. C. Worth for 1 bu. rye 1,50; 20 lbs shorts ,40	1 90	
A.Gage 7 days haying 10,50; Almira Gage weeks work 1,25	11 75	
J. L. Dewey for meat 5,02; Mrs. Dana, Railroad fare 2,20	7 22	
I. Ross for shingles 1,50 ; taking deposition ,25	1 75	
N. Hurlbutt, seed wheat 5,62; S. Merrill, tin ware 6,37	11 99	
Levi Richards, filing saws ,92; alcohol ,60	1 52	
Perkins for hat, 2 caps 2,87; for glass ,27	3 14	
C. Pennock for fixing chimney 2,62; W. Hall 8 oz. sage ,23	2 85	
E. Hoit, canvas cloth 2,00; A. Johnson 37 lbs tallow2,40	4 40	
C. Ward, timber for ox sled 1,10; P.W.Durkee, turkeys 1,50	2 60	
Sanborn, 200 brick 1,40; G. Green, 2 sled neaps 1,00	2 40	
C. C. Foster, use of horse ,50; C. Buswell, fixing clock ,75	1 25	
P. W. Durkee, washing machine 5,00; 10 lbs tea 2,50	7 50	
L. McFerson for money paid for lime, trunk lock, &c.	1 90	
Levi McFerson for services as agent	104 00	–456 05

H. *INCOME FROM THE TOWN FARM*

For labor, produce, and live stock sold for the year ending March 11, 1856.

To A. Corey 43 1-2 lbs ham 5,43; F.L.Owen 1500 lbs hay 10,00	15 43	
O. Bagley 966 lbs hay 7,72; A. Corey 930 lbs hay 7,44	15 16	
J. Dudley 1247 lbs hay 9,97; J. L. Dewey, 2 calves 8,00	17 97	
W. Avery, 730 lbs straw 3,65; J. J. Mason 378 lbs hay 3,02	6 67	
A. Corey 1078 lbs hay 8,08; L. S. Partridge 2 bu. wheat 5,50	13 58	
J. L. Dewey 76 lbs veal 4,00; J. Huntoon 2 calves skins 1,57	5 57	
J. L. Dewey 7 lbs fresh pork ,70; A. Corey 22 1-4 do. 2,25	2 95	
J. J. McFerson, 2 bu. oats 1.20; S. Tracy 9 lbs lard 1,26	2 46	
J. L. Dewey 3 qu. veal 3,09; 93 1-2 lbs veal 4,73	7 82	
J. C. Goodhue, 3521 lbs hay	27 18	
J. Huntoon 9 3-4 lbs veal skin	1 07	
J. L. Dewey, 1 2-year old heifer	22 50	
W. Cole 447 lbs wool 192,21; A.Brown 14 1-2 lbs butter 2,90	195 11	
Asa Brown 50 lbs butter 12,50; W. Buck half bu. beans 1,00	13 50	
A. B. Closson 8 loads pumpkins 8,00 ; P. W. Durkee 1 do. 1,00	9 00	
Rock 63 lbs butter 15,75; A. Corey 18 lbs poultry 2,25	18 00	
L. D. Owen, beans, &c. 1,07; Mr. Givven, hen & chickens ,33	1 40	
C. C. Foster squash ,12; S. W. Cobb 68 3-4 lbs cheese 6,93	7 05	
W. Kinsman 18 lbs cheese 1,80; A. B. Closson 17 do. 1,70	3 50	
H. Frary 37 lbs poultry 4,67; J. Dudley 62 lbs cow hide 4,34	9 01	
W. Kinsman 12 lbs lard 1,50; H. Frary 30 lbs lard 4,50	6 00	
H. Frary 27 1-2 lbs poultry 4,42; 33 lbs butter 7,92	12 34	
" 18 bu. potatoes 10,78; Kendall 446 1-4 lbs wool 169,67	180 45	
Dewey & Co. 31 1-4 lbs cheese 3,60; 100 bu. oats 45,00	48 60	
Jones 50 bu. potatoes 18,75; S. W. Cobb 53 bu. oats 23,88	42 63	
L. D. Gove 23 do. 9,35; C. Clifford 5 do. 2,25	11 60	
L. C. McFerson 80 lbs. butter 20,00; 2 1-2 bu. beans 5,00	25 00	
J. F. Smalley 10 bu. oats 4,50; J. Gould 10 bu. apples 1,00	5 50	
J. J. McFerson 1 barrel 1,00; I. Camp & Covell straw 14,00	15 00	
A. Corey 8 1-2 lbs butter 2,12; A. Camp 5 bu. oats 2,50	4 62	
Sam Merrill keeping horse 3,58; 4 pelts 3,34	6 93	
L. C. McFerson received for butchering	13 19	
Amounting to		$767 08

CASH RECEIVED OF OTHER TOWNS.

Of Keene for care of Mrs. Sweeney	22 50	
Of Swanzey for care of Rufus Bolles	22 40	
Of Lyme " Mrs. A. M. Abbott	17 26	–62 16

AUDITORS' REPORT.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Hanover for the year ending March 11, 1856, having attended to the duty assigned them, submit the following Report;

The Selectmen and Overseers of the poor charge the Town with sundry items paid out	$5291 22
They credit the Town with sundry items received	5258 47
Balance due the Selectmen,	32 75
The Town owes the Bank of Lebanon	600 00
Due Rev. Dr. Richards	20 00
Due to L. C. McFerson	146 00
Making the amount due from the Town	798 75
They report as due the Town from Notes, Tax Bills, &c.	109 11
Due from the County for the support of paupers	496 13
Supposed to be due from the Town of Canaan	65 62
Amount due the Town from all sources	670 86
This sum taken from the amount of debts due from the Town, leaves the balance of the debts	127 89
Add to this the trust fund of J. Williams' bequest	200 00
And the whole indebtedness of the Town is	327 89

The Auditors report that the ordinary expenses of the Town have been increased about $700 by the unusual freshet of the Summer.

Amount paid out by the Overseers of the poor on account of the Town Farm, exclusive of former debts	$1321 07
Amount received by the Overseers of the poor on account of the Town Farm, exclusive of what was received from the County	829 24
Amount due from the County and the Town of Canaan	561 75
Excess of inventory over that of the preceding year	154 08
Total income of the Farm	1545 03
Balance in favor of the Town Farm	223 96

The Auditors would recommend to the Town to raise a tax of $500 for the current expenses of the ensuing year.

The Auditors have found the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen and Overseers of the poor well vouched and correctly cast.

EDWIN D. SANBORN, } *Auditors.*
ISAAC ROSS, }

FEB. 26, 1856.

REPORT
Of Superintending School Committee.

There are in the town a little rising of five hundred children between the ages of four and sixteen, who have attended the schools the year past. Generally the schools have been successful and well sustained. All except one have had a Summer and a Winter term, and two have had a Fall term in addition. All have been under the instruction of females, except four in the Winter term. (See Schedule on a following page.)

District No. 1 (Plain) has been exceedingly well kept — the primary division by Mrs. Taylor and the second by Miss Pike, Miss Cutter, and Mr. Mendal E. Bridgman. Mrs. Taylor adapts herself remarkably to the instruction of young children, by her affable and persuasive manner, and gains not a little by her successful introduction of singing in general chorus. She is earnestly commended to the public as an instructor.

Too much praise cannot be given to Mr. Bridgman's Winter school. Its order and proficiency have exceeded former experience by much. He has successfully practised the best modes of College instruction in the use of the black-board in Arithmetic and Algebra, and in reviews and examinations by topics given out in Grammar, Geography, &c.— The County Commissioner expressed high approbation, saying without qualification, it was the best school he had seen in Grafton County.— Nothing unpropitious occurred in either department of this school during the year.

District No. 2 (North West) had a superior teacher in Miss Clark during the Summer. In the Winter, a young man without experience in teaching was employed, and left after two weeks in unpleasant circumstances. Miss Adeline Dewey succeeded him and gave general satisfaction; but the school evidently suffered in respect to order and industry by the failure of the first two weeks. The District would do well to employ the next Winter, a man of firmness and some age to reduce the school to better discipline. A new school house, to replace the present relict of a former age, would add much to the spirit and good will of the future pupils. Miss Dewey deserves much praise for her patient and persevering efforts and corresponding success in this school.

District No. 3 (Camp's) was taught in the Summer by Miss Martha A. Mead. She earnestly sought to awaken the interest of her pupils, and most of them made improvement; but we were sorry to notice, on the part of some, a dislike of study and a tendency to make play the chief business of school hours.

Mr. Flint taught the Winter school with ability, and improvement was manifest. But the whispering and moving about, observed, could not but operate to the injury of the school. The house is cold and uncomfortable, which accounts in part for the uneasiness.

District No. 4, (Town Farm,) taught by Miss L. C. Withington in Summer, and by Mr. Isaac Fellows, Jr. in the Winter, was marked by good order and success. The house is good and well furnished.

District No. 5 (Mill Village). The Summer school, under the instruction of Miss C. P. Fellows, exhibited a pleasing appearance in respect to order and interest. In the Winter, the school was divided— Miss Fellows in the higher and Miss Sarah Huntoon in the lower department. Both were well sustained on the whole. The Committee have some occasion to censure the older scholars in respect to deportment. The excellence of the instruction and the pleasantness of the school-room should have excited to more order and application. Still, there was much to commend. The teacher of the primary department, though without much experience, has been remarkably successful.— The improvement noticed was very decided.

District No. 6 (Pinneo's) has sustained its former character for quietness and industry. Miss Marinda Fellows in the Summer and Miss Caroline Brigham in the Winter, both evinced ability in teaching, and the pupils appeared to appreciate it and exert themselves to improve. The Committee have nothing but commendation to express. The school house is new, light, airy, neatly painted and well furnished with blackboard and maps – the whole very attractive. The District wisely keep the old school-house adjacent standing, with windows and doors broken out – it is presumed for contrast, that the inhabitants of those districts who have old school-houses may see, at one impressive view, the difference. We hope their benevolent hint may be regarded.

District No. 7 (North). Miss H. F. Storrs, who taught the Summer school, deserves commendation for the skillful and satisfactory manner in which she conducted the school. Special attention was paid to the meaning of words. Miss L. P. Southard, in the Winter, gave faithful and accurate instruction, and there was proficiency in study. A little more attention to order would have rendered the school much better.

District No. 8. (Hatch's). Miss Ann E. Miller, who taught the Summer school, has superior qualifications. The school was quiet and orderly; but, for some reason, the pupils did not make so much progress in study as was expected. In the Winter, the instruction by Miss H. M. Ross, was thorough and the discipline efficient — the pupils improved rapidly. The school-house is new and good, and the situation very fine.

District No. 9. (Greensboro'). This school was well kept through both terms. 26 weeks in all, by Miss S. M. Ross. The District is spirited and enterprising in every thing except a school-house, which is perhaps the poorest of the poor. Encouragement, however, is given that a new one shall be built "at an early day," which should mean, the ensuing Summer.

District No. 10 (Fellows'). This District suffers from its small population — there having been but nine scholars in the Summer school, and seven in the Winter. The severe storms of the past Winter caused the school to be closed at the end of six weeks. Both the teachers, Miss Fellows and Miss Miller, were able, and instructed the few they had to good purpose. Would not this District do well to disband and incorporate with adjacent Districts — especially, if a Fall school were kept, as there might be, at Mill Village?

District No. 11 (South East). A Summer school of twelve weeks, with eleven scholars, and a Winter school of six weeks, with seven scholars, both by Miss M. J. Hoyt — neither visited nor reported.

District No. 12 (Tunis). A Summer school of 6 weeks with 13 scholars was kept by Miss Chesley — not visited; the Winter school of 10 weeks by Mr. A. W. Fellows. He having no experience in teaching, did not succeed in introducing much method in the arrangements of the school. The school demands the services of a thorough and experienced disciplinarian. Acting on the suggestions of a previous committee, we kept our eye on "*one young lad*," but soon discovered two more, farther advanced in the practice, if not in the theory of impudence, and were obliged to devote most of our time to them.

District No. 13 (Centre) has been fortunate in securing good teachers. Miss H. F. Bridgman in the summer, and Miss Mary Fellows in the fall and winter. The school house is new and excellent and its location very desirable. Nothing is wanting here to make the school all that could be desired, but a better spirit on the part of the pupils. We noticed a failure here, in respect to good deportment and application to the proper business of the school. It is understood there has been improvement in this respect, but there is room for more.

District No. 14 (Emerson hill), a well governed and profitable school taught by Miss Elizabeth Camp. The winter school was taught by Miss Lavina P. Turner, an efficient teacher who rendered the school both pleasant and profitable to her pupils.

District No. 15 (North East) had both a summer and a winter school, with an average of ten scholars — both kept by Miss Lydia A. C. Bean. The manner in which this school was conducted was highly creditable to the teacher, and gave entire satisfaction. The instruction imparted was of the most accurate kind. Marked attention was paid by the pupils during the recitations. Whispering was suppressed.

District No. 16 (Goss). The summer school was taught 12 weeks — 12 scholars — by Miss H. M. Ross, and the winter's, 9 weeks — 11 scholars — by Miss Martha A. Mead. These teachers gave general satisfaction.

District No. 17 (Closson's). This school appeared well on the whole both summer and winter. Towards the close of the winter school, a difficulty arose from a requisition of the teacher upon the grammar class to write compositions. Some refused and left the school with the approbation of the parents. The committee would express the opinion that composition is a part of grammar and that the requisition was reasonable ; and if there was a fault on the part of the teacher as to the mode, it is to be hoped those parents will not question the principle, so obvious, that the end of the study of grammar is to learn to *write* the English language with propriety.

District No. 18 (Walker's). This school was kept summer and winter, ten weeks each, by Miss E. M. W. Eastman, an energetic and excellent teacher, whose accurate instruction and complete order rapidly advanced her pupils.

By the subjoined schedule it will be seen that all the schools out of the villages are small, and, if the comparison be made with former reports, that they are diminishing. This results from the fact that the population of the town is diminishing — especially in the rural districts. It is worthy of consideration whether a consolidation of districts should not be attempted. The same money paid to half the number of teachers, each instructing twice the number of pupils, would probably double the effect by procuring better instruction and by imparting more spirit. The schedule shows only four male teachers. Some of the schools have suffered the past year for the want of more energy than can be expected in a female. The standard of education is also continually advancing, the age becoming more exacting, and though there is advance with us from year to year undoubtedly, it is worthy of consideration and forecast how we shall be able to keep up in the race.

In the building of new school houses the Committee suggest whether desks, to accommodate each one pupil, should not be substituted for the longer seats. The difference in the expense cannot be great, especially in a small school, and being easily removed, no more need remain in the school room at once than the circumstances require. Some advantage would be gained in respect to discipline, we think, by the change.

The Committee have occasion to complain again of the School Registers. In some the statements are not given with accuracy and fulness, others are not written in a *legible* hand, needing more powerful magnifiers than most have at command. To our fair teachers, who constitute the great majority, the Committe would commend two lines of Pope :

Why has not man a microscopic eye ?
For this plain reason, *man* is not a fly.

Submitted, C. B. DOW, J. C. WORTH, J. RICHARDS, } *Supt.* } *Committee.*

Hanover, Feb. 28, 1856.

SCHEDULE.

(The last three columns show the No. weeks, whole No. scholars, and the average attendance.)

District.	*School.*	*Teachers.*		*W*	*Sc*	*At*
No. 1.	Sum. Div. 1	Miss Violet Pike,	Hanover,	11	41	25
Plain.	" 2	Mrs. Mary L. Taylor,	Hanover,	11	44	34
	Fall, " 1	Miss Lucy Cutter,	Norwich,	9	42	31
	" 2	Mrs. Mary L. Taylor,	Hanover,	7	34	30
	Win. " 1	Mr. Mendal E. Bridgman,	Hanover,	12	50	36
	" 2	Mrs. Mary L. Taylor,	Hanover,	12	36	29
No. 2.	Summer,	Miss Francelia D. Clark,	Lyme.	12	12	9
North West.	Winter.	Miss Adeline Dewey,	Hanover,	15	25	20
No. 3.	Summer.	Miss Martha Mead,	Hanover.	11	21	17
Camp.	Winter.	Mr. M. Atwood Flint.	Lyme.	8	24	20
No. 4.	Summer.	Miss Lorinda P. Withington,	Hanover,		12	10
Town Farm.	Winter.	Mr. Isaac Fellows, Jr.,	Hanover,	15	23	20
No. 5.	Summer.	Miss Caroline P. Fellows,	Hanover,	12	32	26
Mill Vill.	Win. Div. 1	Miss Caroline P. Fellows,	Hanover.	13	26	22
	" 2	Miss Sarah Huntoon,	Hanover,	13	20	18
No. 6.	Summer.	Miss Melinda Fellows,	Hanover,	12	9	6
Pinneo.	Winter.	Miss Caroline Brigham,	Hanover.	12	18	16
No. 7.	Summer.	Miss Helen F. Storrs,	Hanover.	10	11	9
North.	Winter.	Miss Lydia P. Southard,	Lyme,			
No. 8.	Summer.	Miss Ann E. Miller,	Hanover,	10	11	10
Hatch.	Winter.	Miss Helen M. Ross,	Hanover.	10	11	10
No. 9.	Summer.	Miss Susan M. Ross,	Hanover,	12	12	11
Greensboro'.	Fall,	Miss Susan M. Ross,	Hanover,	13	16	14
No. 10.	Summer.	Miss Mary Fellows,	Hanover,	10	11	7
Fellows.	Winter.	Miss Ann E. Miller,	Hanover,	6	9	8
No. 11.	Summer.	Miss Mary J. Hoyt,	Hanover,	12	11	9
South East.	Winter.	Miss Mary J. Hoyt,	Hanover,	6	7	6
No. 12.	Summer.	Miss —— Chesley,	Enfield,	6	13	11
Tunis.	Winter.	Mr. Asa W. Fellows,	Hanover,	10	13	11
No. 13.	Summer.	Miss Harriet F. Bridgman,	Hanover.	12	29	22
Centre.	Fall.	Miss Mary Fellows,	Hanover,	7	29	26
	Winter.	Miss Mary Fellows,	Hanover,	10	19	20
No. 14.	Summer.	Miss Elizabeth Camp.	Hanover,	8	7	6
Emerson.	Winter.	Miss Lavina P. Turner,	Lyme,	12	9	7
No. 15.	Summer.	No school.				
North East.	Winter.	Miss Lydia A. C. Bean,	Canaan,			
No. 16.	Summer.	Miss Helen M. Ross,	Hanover,	10	12	10
Goss.	Winter.	Miss Martha A. Mead,	Hanover,	9	11	10
No. 17.	Summer.	Miss Ann E. Foster,	Hanover,	12	9	8
Closson.	Winter.	Miss Cynthia A. Pennock,	Norwich.	14	16	12
No. 18.	Summer.	Miss Ellen M. W. Eastman,	Lebanon.	10	7	6
Walker.	Winter.	Miss Ellen M. W. Eastman,	Lebanon,	10	12	10